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Merry Christmas To All

T.C. Hoopsters Win Six Straight

Part of Fun-nite Cast



Front Row, left to right: Bill Graham, Mary Lou Sullivan, Betty Ericson, John Casey. Back Row: James Fiorella, Jerry

Fun-nite, Co-op Dance Draw Huge Weekend Audience

SUCCESSIVE NIGHTLY ATTRACTIONS KEEP TCERS BUSY

Last week proved to be one of the busiest of the year's social other, Fun-nite and the Christmas Dance took the school by features.

On Thursday, December 11, the Mohawks and ToKalons put on "Fun-nite," a semi-fantasy portraying life in Pilgrim time. The many fine features, among them being Jack Donovan's version of "Blowing Bubble Gum", a pantomine entitled "Dimmesdale At the Bat," the "Hokey Pokey" were well done by the entire chorus, and others.

Ray Forest was well-cast as the major domo of the savages. He and pilgrim Betty Ericson, summing up the relative merits of the two cultures in a sparkling dialogue, were their usual talented

The Vocalizing of the troupe's singing stars, Mary Lou Sullivan, Dick Rutga, Katherine Donovan, and Tony Cantanzaro served to keep the audience in a delightseason. Following one on the fully romantic frame of mind, and was one of the show's best

> The entire presentation was cast and directed by Mohawk Leo Gouin. The management of such a production requires a great amount of hard work, and Leo deserves much credit for undertaking it. There were times, though, when even Leo must have been wondering what was coming

At the evening's close, letters were awarded to team members, and prizes were given to the holders of winning tickets. The entire night's proceeds will be donated to the purchase of sports

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM DR. SANDERS

Were it not for Christmas, December would be a month as dull, depressing, and forbidding February. But because of Christmas, it is colorful and joyous; there is a feeling of anticipation, a promise of good things and of good times, a release from work, and a pursuit of fun. May you all, faculty and students, abandon care and plunge into the holidays with as much merriment and jollity as you can possibly gather up within your-selves!

W. J. SANDERS

COMMUTING MENS ROOM REDECORATED

In the belief that a man's home s his castle and that the Comnuting Men's Smoker is his nome away from home, the Board of Directors of the Commuting Men's Association decided to redecorate the hallowed halls of ipesters paradise. The Knotty pine walls were washed in a G1 soap solution and sealed with shellac; the ceiling, formerly a cream color; was redone in flat white; and the floor, time-worn cement, was covered with dark green. Among those assisting in the interior redecoration course were Rene Rheault, Kenny Sunne, Andy O'Donnell, Bert Steeves, Bill Chase, Ralph Gio net, Forrest Pyle, Bob Ericson, Ray Harris, Jim Morris, Al Wright, and Bob Hutchison. Thanks are extended to all, also to Bill Sorton and Don Clark for the spray guns and the Administration for their cooperation.

The gala house-warming will be Monday, January fifth when (Continued on page 3)

ASSEMBLIES

One of the most unusual and entertaining assemblies of the year was presented on Tuesday, Dec. 9, by the children of the Dillon School when they gave us an idea of their typical school day. The first grade presented the results of their unit on toys, the third grade displayed the paintings they did while studying a unit on "The Neighbor-hood," and the fifth grade gave equipment for the M.A.A. and us a glimpse of Mexico in the

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JAX DIRECTORY JUT SOON

Those long lists of paper, once acked on the bulletin board for your corrections, are soon to be een in new form. The Saxiirage Directory will be presented to every T.C. student by ne Class of 1948 in January. Do you want to know the home adaress of your classmate or a caculty incluber? Do you know what stores in Fitchburg are your triends? All this and more can be found in the Directory.

The directory has been is-sued each year in conjunction with the Saxifrage yearbook, thus eliminating yearbook advertisements. All advertising will be found in the directory. Then, too, here is one place you will find all of the students and faculty home addresses. By issuing this directory, the Saxifrage poard is able to give you a better yearbook at lower cost, for a greater number of pages is devoted to features, rather than ads. Unique photographs, clever

The "Falcons" of Fitchburg State returned from their first long road trip in several years last Sunday, with their fourth and fifth wins tucked safely away under their belts. A ball club that bids fair to be one of the best in the history of the school the high flying "Falcons" are off to an excellent start with six straight wins in as many games. Included in this string are four Conference victories.

The record of the boys thus far indicates that they will be one of the powerhouses in the Conference this year and they should capture the laurels in the Northern Division without much trouble. A star studded equad of last year's veterans and new Freshmen material give Coach Bill Provenzani a well rounded team featuring a high scoring first line made up of Jerry Millane, high scorer in the Conference last year, teamed with the "Freshmen Flashmen", Bob Farrar and Ed Sandomeirski. This first line has combined to throw in 88 goals and 50 fouls for a total of write-ups, features, class pic- 226 points in the first six games. (Continued on page 4) (Continued on page 3)

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THE STICK GOES GALLUP POLLING

Have you ever planned to spend an evening in the library doing some research for that term paper due soon? It's a good during the only hours you had idea, but how can you? Our free to study. college library, filled with excellent reference material, closes about this situation. It is a vital at 4:30 p.m. Have you ever issue because it concerns you, wanted to study when your roommate wanted to talk—or sing - or play the radio - and At the present time the library you wished you could go some- hours are from 7:30 a.m. where to find some peace and 4:30 p.m. Monday through quiet plus some handy reference Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to books? Of course the library is 3:30 p.m. on Friday, and from the only logical answer. But 9:06 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturcan you go there? No—the day. There is a definite demand library is not open in the even- for the library in the evenings. ing. Or have you ever had an How wide is this demand? You, assignment issued that was due the student, can answer this the next day and that required since the need must have been delving into three or four books? Your schedule was full; you had no time during the day.

When did you do it? You didn't, because the library was closed

Something should be done the quality of your work, and the standards of your college.

By George Krikorian



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Big Four at London

Differences among the Big Four, especially the U.S. and Russia, seem to widen as Molotov assails the West, and Marshal doubts Russian sincerity. At this council of Foreign Ministers Marshall continues to express the thought that this conference should stick to the task for which it is set. "We need to promote tranquility instead of bitterness and misunderstanding.'

The American, France, and English aim is to unite the German zones economically, stabilize the currency, and raise production so that Germany can pay its own way and contribute to Europe's recovery.

Palestine Partition

The final vote of the U.N. General Assembly approved the plan for the partition of Palestine by a vote of 33 to 13. There were 10 abstentions and one absence.

Nothing but bitterness and disillusion was expressed by the Arab representatives; they claimed that their nations would not be bound by the action.

In Jerusalem, the acting head of the Arab Higher Committee predicted a holy war if any attempt was made to enforce partition. In the meantime we find riots sweeping over Palestine as Arabs began stoning, stabbing, and looting in resentment over the U.N. decision to partition the Holy Land.

The brighter side of this balancing program finds the Jews thruout the world celebrating Nov. 29, as a "Liberation Day." Banners and the Star of David flag are being proudly flown to express added joys as the realization of a dream that was 2,500 years old.

Nuremburg Trials

The final indictment to be registered with the U.S. Military Government Tribunals has been ended. The total number of individual defendants that have been accused are 134. The charges, in the main, have been war crimes; crimes against humanity, plunder, destruction, spoilation; crimes against peace; and conspiracy in commission of these crimes.

Spreading Democratic Ideals Dr. J. Studebaker

Dr. Studebaker, U.S. Commissioner of Education, warned of the challenge of communism and called upon educators to make a more determined effort to create in American youth a zeal for American democracy in the interest of national strength and security.

Dr. Studebaker maps war on communism by saying, "If the O'Neil we'll provide a ski tow. Communists can graduate skilled disturbers to send into other men's countries to prepare democracies for slavery, surely American educational leadership and teachers can prepare wise and skilled defenders of the free

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS ★ ☆ ★ ☆ ★ ☆ ❖

The current trend in the T.C. air is the nurturing of the gambling instinct as evidenced by the chance cards that are making the rounds. The Pure Foods Commission of Massachusetts has appointed Tom Whooley and Delores Girrard chief inspectors of prizes. Boys will you please investigate that card of Gus Amaral's and see how his father won three prizes and that socalled clock of Horace's that doesn't run that he is insisting his friends take chances on?

The feud of Joe Atchue and Mike Russo took to the air when our local station played "Near You" for Joe. Our sympathies to Bob Proulx who requested "I'm Nobody's Darling" only to find out that Lou Scanlon had worn out the record.

The "Polar Bears" enjoyed the Gay-Esoteric soccer game especially the secret weapon which consisted of Red plus a vellow tie and a Rah-Rah fur coat. We've seldom seen such playing as demonstrated by the "Weapon". Such speed hasn't seen since Valeri trotted been into the girls shower room by mistake.

The Gavs likewise uncovered a secret weapon in the form of Ralph Curran in their first game of the basketball season. Entering the game in the second quarter, sporting the club colors (black mustache, gold jersey) played exceptional ball. Ralph The Gavs however, desiring to conserve their star's strength, pulled him out a couple of plays and two fouls later, to allow him to rest up for the future games. Interviewed after the contest Curran said simply, "I owe all my skill to Coach Elliot's gym class!"

We can prove that chivalry did not go out with "bathtub gin". This reporter actually saw Jay Kaplin desert Sally Healy to help hang a curtain in the Spa. Rumor has it that Cal White is also going domestic since the purchase of that household apparatus. Cal is a helpful hushand, he always does research to wife to do the work!

Our graduate students are full of school spirit, but which school is the question? At the last game the spectators were amazed to see these mental geniuses clapping madly for the wrong team. Seems they thought they were the T.C. boys when given the good word!

NEWS FLASH!-The Nurses chains on the cars now that winter weather has set in. It's quite a problem for potential dates to make the hill when it's icy and the girls are willing to do their share so the available men won't pick out dates that are more easily reached from the black book. For Jack

We're expecting great things of the boy's commuting room. The activity there has been veiled in secrecy for weeks now. There are some rumors that they are manufacturing corn liquor or is that paint fumes that come floating out? Anyway Ray For-(Continued on page 3)

$m V_{eterans}$ Merry=Go=Round By Walter J. Sullivan

The V. A. now has as its leader and administrator Carl R. Gray, a railroad executive, who will succeed General Omar M. Bradley. He is the first man with real down to earth business experience. Gray said that he planned to take the insurance problem up immediately after assuming office on January first.

Over 43% of the 4.670,000 veterans who started training under both laws have interrupted their training.

You have until January 1, 1948 to reinstate your GI insurance without physical examination.

July 1, 1948 is the last day that applications may be made by leg amputees for free automobiles.

September 1, 1948 is the last day that applications for terminal leave may be made.

July 25, 1952 - Readjustment allowance under GI bill ends.

July 25, 1956 - all education and training under GI Bill and Public Law 16 must be completed.

Bill Mauldin, creator of the famed Joe and Willy war cartoons, publishes a new book this month. It mauls pressure groups, black marketeers, certain types of Congressmen, used car dealers, and landlords.

The V.F.W. is sending out a questionaire this week to its service officers, asking first hand facts on what effect the collection from veterans of an estimated \$48 million in overpayments is having on students in school. Specifically, they want to know why arrangements of repayments vary between different V. A. regional offices and whether they are creating undue hardship on vets, most of whom were not responsible for the situation. They also want to find out whether or not the vet is getting a break in the repayment plan.

With internal affairs in conflict, and uncertainties over its future find out the easiest way for his the V. A. is fast becoming a family divided against itself, a condition certain to have bad repercussions in administering the affairs of 18 million vets. Bradley's own aides are in a dither over the uncertainty of when he will leave, and Hawley's decision to quit as Medical Director may arise in part from this uncertainty. Similarly the split between V.A.'s Education and are volunteering to help put Public Relations Division gets chains on the cars now that winaccusations flying back and forth. The lack of cooperation is causing bad pressure on the GI education program, often to the detriment of the vet student. The new director who will take over the reins of the V.A. on January 1, 1948, will have a chance to remedy the current ills and mismanagement. lack of business organization will be one of his first targets.

Question:

M. Sullivan ---

Some time ago, I, along with other ex-GI's, sent in my Ter-(Continued on page 3)

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EDITORIAL

A gentleman from Mars, dropping in on us about Christmas time, would think our world an excellent place in which to live. As he walked down the streets of our cities, he would see everywhere the signs of a great celebration, a holy festival. The yule trees decorating the avenues, the glittering, varicolored lights illuminating the shop windows--all of these would tend to make him say, "Here is a land of happiness, which knows and catches the true spirit of joyful living." But most of all he would be impressed by the smiling faces, the hearty handclasps, the friendly warmth which seems to infect the majority of our citizens at this time. And he would say, "And better still, here is a land whose people know the true meaning of friendship, whose inhabitants have found the key to the difficult art of living together in peace and in harmony."

This gentleman would be getting an accurate picture. For every year about this time, most of us experience a lifting of the spirit, an increasing pleasure in the friendship of our fellow man, and a returning joy in the giving of ourselves to others.

The reason for this, we feel, is comparatively simple. We are letting our Hearts speak for us. We are lifting the bonds which have for so long stifled our truer, deeper feelings, and are "doing to others as we would have done unto ourselves." Remember, the human heart is an amazing organ. Its capacity for love and kindness is limitless. If left to its own devices, it could spread more happiness and good throughout the world than a thousand

We wonder then, at the possibility of keeping the essence of our Christmas Spirit alive throughout the remainder of the year. Is it necessary that, immediately following the holiday, a great part of human love and kindness be relegated to the background of our existence?

We think not. For man's heart is made for year 'round use. Its beneficial rays of love and friendship beam from an inexhaustible source. It asks only that the iron stopper be removed forever, so that it may carry forth the "Christmas Spirit" to every day of the year.

The Martian gentleman, then, returning at some later time. on some other date would see, not the decorated Yule tree, not the glittering lights portraying some gay and festive holiday, but only the light of friendship shining forth from men's eyes, And he would say, "This is certainly a land whose inhabitants have found the true joy of existence, whose people know the real meaning of friendship, whose men and women realize that to live happily is to live not only with, but for one another.

MEET THE GAVS



Walter Richards on the left, Larry Enos on the right. Walt is a Fitchburger who is at present in his Senior year at T.C. He is best noted for his outstanding choreog aphic ability. Anyone seeing him doing the Samba on class day with Eleanor Fusco who, by the way, swings a pretly mean leg herself, would have to agree on this. We understand that Walt's brother is now Sonja Henie's skating partner, so we guess talent just naturally runs in the family.

Larry is also a Senior, and at present is in the midst of his training. An extremely capable fellow, he was last year both head of the Gavs and president of the Newman Club. Well-versed in parliamentary procedure, any meeting handled by Larry was sure to run along smoothly. An impeccable dresser and a gifted conversationalist, he makes friends easily. Larry is an outof-state boy, coming to us from Connecticut.

The club opened its basketball season by defeating the Club Raymon, 31 - 13. The game was played as a prelim to the varsity contest and took place in the Fitchburg High gym. In the first game of the intramural season between the Gavs and the Hawks, the Hawks won a bittery fought contest, 39 -32.

In entering active competition in the intramural league, the Gaveleers feel that their prime responsibility will be to uphold the high standard of sportsmanship which is essential in such an undertaking. The fact that two teams oppose each other on the basketball court does not necessitate their becoming blood enemies. The habit of winning and losing graciously should be cultivated by every organization entered in the competition. This we hope will be the case.

Our next game takes place this afternoon in the college gym where we meet the commuters. It should be a good game as both clubs are out to win. Everyone is welcome and it is hoped that many will attend.

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

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rest is posing for the murals with the able help of Rene Reau. By the way did you know that Ray conducts the Music Session held at the library on Tuesday nites? That guy has more talent than Superman.

The basketball games are really a part of the school schedule that no one can afford to miss. Book worms -- junk those studies for a nite or so and come on down and root for the team, it's more fun than a three-ring cir-

FITCHBURG TEACHERS COLLEGE SPORTS

Gavs vs. Hawks Opens Intramural Season

GALLUP POLL

(Continued from page 1) in the library every time a student glibly lets himself out of an assignment by saying, "the ubrary was closed," or "someone else had the book." Clearly, there is a need for more study time in the library, logically in the evening.

Each one of us realizes that all work and no play is not what we are after. If the library were open perhaps two or hree nights a week the situation would be much improved. It is to be emphasized at this point that the library is not to afford eny competition for the Spa. In you want to make small talk, augh, smoke, or have a "bull sesson, the library is not the place. Go to the Spa -- there's a juke box there, too.

Solving financial problems seems to be a most popular excra-curricular activity. This sitdation, too, brings added probems. How are we going to pay for the added services required? Are we going to bring the matter up to the State Legislature, asking for added appropiations? Can we have various clubs offer heir services? Is it possible to take the money from the sum set aside for the dormitory students or the commuting students?

After vacation a poll will be conducted on campus by THE STICK. You will find a questionaire in your box. Think the matter over thoroughly. It means a great deal to you and to future classes at your college. The results of the poll will be printed in the next issue of THE STICK.

Remember -- it is your problem. You supply the answers. How about it?

VETS MERRY-GO-ROUND

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minal Leave Application. As far as I know, the other fellows have received their bonds, but I have heard nothing as yet What I would like to know iswhom shall I contact in order to get information regarding my claim?

A frustrated T.C. Student. Reply:

I'm sure that if you write to the base you were discharged from giving them full particulars, you will receive full satisfaction. If you are a Navy Vet-

eran you will have to write to U.S. Navy Terminal Leave Disbursing Office, Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois, I shall post a list of the mailing addresses for the Army on the bulletin board.

Rumor has it that giggolo Larry Walsh is giving the nurses a rush, chains or no chains, but watch your wallet and eye teeth when "Slippery" Joe Degulis is in sight. He's just graduated from a Sing-Sing correspondance course and is trying to establish his position in the underworld.

SPORTS EDITORIAL

WHAT'S IN A NAME

With the increasing success in the field of Athletics here at Teachers College the need for a representative "nick name" for the school teams has become more apparent. The local press as well as many of the schools on our schedule have written for this information and have been told that there was no actual "nick name" except perhaps the "Green and White" or "The Teachers". These somehow do not seem representative of the school with the present program of expansion progress. This Editor, with the help of public opinion around the school and the Encyclopedia Americana, has put forth the name "Falcons" with the consent of President Sanders for approval of the student body and the local sports world in general.

A title of this sort must have two important characteristics attached to it. First of all it must represent a symbolism of some sort. To this end I give you the following information from the above mentioned reference;

Falcon; the Falcon is noted for it's power of flight, it's symmetry and strength. It is considered as being the most perfectly developed of all the feathered race. It is a bird known for the swiftness and the deadliness of it's attack and for it's exceptional courage in defense of it's home. This ties in every manner with what a school would expect of the Athletic teams that will represent it.

The euphony of the name should also be given consideration and the easy solunding manner in which Fitchburg and "Falcons" go together make it acceptable in this respect. With the above factors in mind we therefor advance this title for your approval.

If you have a name that you think would be more suitable, remember that this is a school school affair and all good suggestions are welcome. Please drop all names in Box 343 by the end of this week if possible. In suggesting a name remember that it has to do more than simply sound nice. It must also have meaning.

COMMUTING MEN

(Continued from page 1) the Board of Directors -- President, Forrest Pyle; Vice-President, Bert Steves; Secretary-Freasurer, Andy O'Donnell; Senior Representative, Russ Cook; Junior Representative, Walt Kotomski; Sophomore Representative, Bob Ericson; Freshman Representative, Bob Hutchison, and Bouncer Rene will conduct guests through the premises.

The policy of allowing other organizations to use the room will be continued but all rules will be enforced

COMMUTERS OVERPOWER RAYMON 34 - 7

GAVS BEAT RAYMON ESOTERICS TOP COMMUTERS IN EXHIBITION GAMES

In order to provide the fans with a Preliminary game to the Varsity contest and at the same time give some of the Intramural teams a chance to work out on the large floor at High School two exhibition contests were scheduled for the week of December 1st.

In the Preliminary game to the Salem-Fitchburg contest the Gaveleers met the Club Raymon. This was the first game of the season for both teams and as a result the play was a little ragged. The Gavs appeared to be the better drilled team however, and came off the floor with a 30 - 19 victory. Cail Peterson was the high scorer of the game with 15 points.

The following Saturday evening in the prelim to the Willimantic-Fitchburg game the Commuter Five clashed with the Esoterics in a game that proved to be quite a thriller. The teams were evenly matched and the lead see-sawed back and forth all through the game. With less then five minutes to go the Esoterics went out front by five points and were never headed after that. Ed Rice and Dick York lead the victors with 9 points apiece followed closely by Walt Torno with 8. For the Commuters the scoring honors went to Jim Craffey with 12 points. Key Kiosis was right on his heels with 10. This was an excellent ball game and the meeting of the two teams later in the season in a League game should prove guite interesting.

SIX STRAIGHT WINS

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Starting the season off with a 58-38 win over Salem Teachers College the "Falcon" went on to win a 58-55 thriller over a smooth Willimantic Teachers five. This was followed by a stunning 71-68 victory over the highly touted University of Mass, quintet from Ayer. The team went down to Devens a definite under dog but a surprising first period drive ignited to-be-forgotten victory.

After a four day rest the team left last Friday for a 450 a 36-34 score for win No. 6. junket thru Maine to play two

The first two games of this year's Intramural season were played last week in the College Gym. From the looks of the teams in action this promises to be one of the best seasons in years with six teams all boasting their share of stellar ball players.

The first game of the season last Tuesday found those two arch rivals, the Mohawks and Gavs, going at it hammer and It was a close, bitterly tongs. fought battle all the way with the Hawks finally coming out on top by a 39-32 score. telling effects of lack of reserves and poor foul shooting were the big factors in the Gavs defeat. In missing 13 out of 13 foul tries the Gavs lost a chance to stay right up with the Hawks. Hawks, sparked by the aggressive ball playing of George Krikorian and Dick Rutka, were in the lead all through the gam.e Krikorian with 14 points and Rutka with 10 were the leading scorers.

The second game, played last Thursday, found the Commuter Five tangling with the Club Raymon. In this game, Jim Craffey's boys carried too much power for the "Down Towners" and when the smoke had cleared away the Commuters were on the long end of a 34-7 score. Boasting one of the better teams in the Intramural League, these Commuters are not to be taken lightly. A first line of Craffey, Valeri, and Kiosis combined with Chase and Daley at guards give them one of the smoothest teams around. Here once again through we have the case of not enough reserves and this may be the one thing that will keep these boys off the top of the heap.

and White clad warriors from F.T.C. ran up a 64-44 score in wining their fourth straight game without too much trouble. Saturday night against the "Hill-Toppers" οf Gorham Teachers, however it was a different story. Showing the effects of the long trip and at the same time being a little over confident the "Falcons" forced to go all out in order to stave off a last minute drive by a spark that, by sheer guts and the Gorham five. The final score undying will to win, was kin- of the game was 46-41. Tuesday of the game was 46-41. Tuesday dled into the flame of a never- night here at home the boys once again won a thriller, downing a favored Lowell Textile squad by

The team travels to Keene to-Conference games. In Farming-night for a Conference game ton on Friday night the Green with the "Owls" of K.S.T.C.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Pear CAMPUS BARBER SHOP

ART CLUB NEWS

The Art Club met for the third time on December 1. Miss Conlon had urged all members to attend for she was prepared to make a special demonstration of finger-painting. On the metallic paper which she used, Miss Conion made several quick designs. As probably everyone knows, in finger-painting you actually get into the paint with your fingers and hands and use them to make the pictures.

Barney Harcourt was voted by unanimous approval to be the first club member to try fingerpainting after Miss Conlon had shown us how. His friends were looking for a masterpiece from him, but for some strange reason they did not offer to buy any of his designs. He and several of the other club members practiced during the remainder of the meeting and really showed skill in their work. Miss Conlon said that finger-paintings which take a few minutes to do are often sold for as much as fifty dollars. Maybe someday these talented art students will be rich from selling finger-paintings. Who knows?

NEWMAN FELLOWSHIP

The Christmas season was ushered in on Dec. 1 when Campus Fellowship played host to the two clubs in staging the joint Newman Club in the college meeting is to be applauded. library. A Christmas movie was direction of Campus Fellowship. the The evening closed with refreshments and dancing.

The close cooperation of the cratic society.

IT'S COM

ESOTERICS

The article written in this column last issue about school spirit was the cause of a few discussions around campus. We would like to quote an article we recently read, which we feel should pertain to everyone in school, and which strengthens our previous observations:-

"So much has been written about school spirit, and yet how many people, even students, really understand it?

"Some believe it to be the cheers heard at a football or basketball game; pennants flown high or school songs loudly sung. But is this really the true concept, the correct interpretation? School spirit, like Americanism, is something that you feel with-in you, but can't quite explain -a conviction in your heart.

"But although you can't define school spirit, you know when it is present. It is the praise you give your school; the willingness to help your school get ahead. It's giving, not getting — a spir-it of heart to give freely of your loyalty, time, and enthusiasm.

"To make an appeal to students to 'show school spirit' is ineffectual. The only way to acquire school spirit is to sit down and add up the many advantages, the happy memories, the pleasant associations - and then to do something about it. How about you?"

is an excellent example of the shown, followed by the singing American way of life, in that it of Christmas carols under the demonstrates the integration of various beliefs and faiths which continue to live harmonicusly together in our demo-

MOHAWKS

T-shirts and pins were distribated today and those who have not as yet received theirs should contact Jimmy Bruen.

The Mohawk Assembly on November 25th was well attended and featured sport films.

Weanesday, December the third was a big day in our athletic year. It was the day that the wiohawks and Gaveleers clashed on the field of battle. Results, Mohawks 2 Gaveleers 0

At a meeting held in November a motion was made to form wo basketball teams due to the number of men desiring to participate in the intramural league

SAXAFRAGE DIRECTORY

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tures and club pictures, as well as good candids help to make this one of the best yearbooks T.C. has ever had. When you receive your Saxifrage Directory, remember that the Class of 1948 Saxifrage yearbook is something that you'll want when it comes out at the end of the year.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

The student council would like to announce that hereafter it will accept vouchers and issue checks only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:30 to 1:00 o'clock. Miss Marguerite Johnson will be available in Mr. Weston's office at this time.

FUN NITE

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W. A. A.

On the following night the Coop staged their annual Christmas festival in the school library. The affair was informal and proved to be one of the best the council has ever sponsored.

Don Weldon and orchestra provided the music, and everyone there, including the non-dancers, was led by the smooth dancing rhythm to take a turn on the loor.

A lavishly decorated Christhas tree provided the Yule-tide pirit. Wreaths were placed about he walls of the bookshelves giving the hall a definite air of friendly informality.

Joseph Sylvestro, Council pressident, said that he was extremely pleased by the large turnout, and hat the council already had a lew plans in mind for making ext year's festival bigger and etter yet.

SSEMBLIES

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orm of a skit.

THE STICK will sponsor the sembly on Jan 7, after our ong Christmas vacation. The movies "Music of America" and From Trees to Tribunes" wi. be shown.

On January 14th the Dramati Club will present a one act play

FITCHBURG THEATRE

Wed.-Sat.

"Fabulous Texan" "Crime Doctor's Gamble"

Dec. 21-23

Sun.-Tues.

"Her Husband's Affairs" Short Subjects — Cartoon

Dec. 24-27

"Body and Soul"

Dec. 28-30 Sun.-Tues

"Secret Life of Walter Mitty"

Shorts and Cartoon

Midnight Show "Blondie's Anniversary" Five Acts of Vaudville

GEM THEATRE

ec. 17-20

Wed.-Sat "The Return of Rin Tin Tin"

"Untamed Fury"

Jec. 21-23

Sun.-Tues.

"Marked Women" "Dust Be My Destiny"

Dec. 24-27

Wed.-Sat.

"Gentleman Joe Palooka"

"On The Old Spanish Trail"

"Gun Fighters"

"Fun On A Week End"

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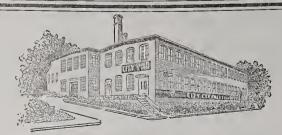
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STRAND THEATRE

Dec. 17 and 18 Wed, and Thurs. 'The Late George Apley" "Philo Vance Returns"

Dec. 19 and 20 Fri. and Sat. "Lost Honeymoon" "Sioux City Sue"

Dec. 21 "Fabulous Dorseys"

"Banjo" Dec. 22 and 23 Mon. and Tues. "Cheyenne"

"Bohemenian Girl" Dec. 24 and 25 Wed. and Thurs. "Dark Passage"

"Big Fix" Dec. 26 and 27 Fri. and Sat. "Iron Major"

"Bells of San Angelo" Dec. 28

"Sea Hawk" "Sea Wolf"

Dec. 29 and 30 Mon, and Tues. "Perils of Pauline" "Thunder Mountain"

LYRIC THEATRE

Dec. 17 and 13 Wed, and Thurs. Stage Show (Jerry and Sky) "The Great John L." "Alias Mr. Twilight"

Dec. 19 and 20 Fri. and Sat. "Having a Wonderful Crime"

Five Acts of Vaudville

"Thunder Head" "Devil On Wheels" (Circus Stage Show) Dec. 22 and 23 Mon and Tues.

"Supt. of Siltola Farm" Finnish Picture Dec. 24 and 25 Wed and Thurs.

"The Blue Dalhia" "Drifting River" Dec. 26 and 27 Fri. and Sat.

"The Bells of Yukon" Five Acts of Vaudville Dec. 28-30 Sun.-Tues.

"Goona Goona" "Africa Speaks"

CUMMINGS THEATRE

ri. and Sat. Dec. 19 and 20 "The Time of Their Lives" "Sheriff of Redwood Vally"

oun. and Mon. Dec. 21 and 22 "White Tie and Tails" "Three Russian Girls"

"In Old New Mexico" "Madonna's Secret"

Wed. and Thurs. Dec. 24 and 25 "Breakfast In Hollywood" "Wake Up And Dream"

Fri. and Sat. Dec. 26 and 27 "Blood On The Sun"

"Come Out Fighting" Sun. and Mon. Dec. 28 and 29 "Sun Valley Serenade"

"The Bowery'

"Earl Carroll Vanities" "San Fernando Valley" Wed. & Thurs. Dec. 31 & Jan. 1

"The Show Off"

"Diary of a Chambermaid"